8th Nordic Conference on Construction Economics and Organization

28-29 May, 2015, Tampere, Finland

Leadership for Targeted Change and Proven Advancements

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Abstract submission is done via internet only www.ceo2015.org.

Abstract submission deadline is September 15 2014.

We welcome both academic and industry contributions to the 8th Nordic Conference on Construction Economics and Organization. Abstract and full paper submissions are managed through the online conference management system. Authors are invited to submit abstracts of up to 300 words and include up to 5 keywords. You will be asked to select a conference theme when submitting your abstract.

A special program for doctoral students is provided within this conference. This includes a free of charge pre-conference workshop addressing scientific thinking. Additionally, doctoral students are also welcome to contribute to the main program of this conference.

Abstracts and full papers shall be double-blind reviewed by leading experts. The accepted papers shall be published in the conference proceedings book. The best contributions shall be recognized via best paper awards and chances for getting their papers published via short track in a well-known scientific journal.

About previous events

Nordic conferences on Construction Economics and Organization have been biennial events for academics and industry people. These events are bringing together experts globally and those particularly from Nordic countries for sharing and learning new knowledge, to meet colleagues, get new connection and to visit/see interesting construction case projects or companies. For academics these conferences are important publishing channels. The accepted double-blind reviewed papers are published using recognised academic media. For example, look at the source http://tapironline.no/fil/vis/1179. Here you can find the proceedings book of the 7th Nordic Conference on Construction Economics and Organization 2013 that was held in Trondheim, Norway.

Conference theme

The overall value of real estate and construction sector (RECS) is widely recognised in a new manner. Instead of the traditional viewing the built environment merely as a commodity the more modern understanding is much broader where the built environment is seen as an essential source for human well-being, health and competitiveness of regions and their sustainability. At the same time the overall performance expectations are much higher setting new kinds of demands for the end products and the processes leading towards those.

The weight of past is the main problem in the RECS sector. The traditional models of procurement, operations, organizations, the attitudes and culture relating to those are forming a challenging combination that is very difficult to change without their radical reformation. However, this change looks a very needed one and therefore all different key players and parties should put serious attention on it.

The 8th Nordic conference on Construction Economics and Organization has its focus on the business environment change described above and its consequences. With its general theme "Leadership for targeted change and proven advancements" this conference is bringing together leading experts from academia and industry for showing the way ahead based on the latest research based findings and industrial experiences. We welcome contributions from industry, research institutes and academics. Accordingly, a somewhat more specific themes of the conference include, but are not limited to:

1. Innovations for improved construction quality and performance

- Re-design of business models
- Innovation in construction
- Managing Change & Innovation
- Enabling change: Transition management

2. Paradigm changes – what is expected from real estate and construction sector and what is ahead of us?

- A changing world and a changing industry
- Implications of the economic downturn
- Regulatory changes locally and globally
3. Understanding the value of spaces, buildings and built environment

- Sustainability and life-cycle aspects
- “Green business” in the real estate and construction sector
- Decision Models and frameworks

4. Different stakeholders in the real estate and construction sector - Solutions for their integration and management

- Collaboration and integration in construction project management
- Relationship Management
- Customer/end-user centric construction operations
- Governance & Institutions

5. New procurement models and approaches

- Effects of new types of procurement on the profession
- New arising roles in construction operations
- Implementation – Needs and Issues
- PPP, PFI, IPD, Project Alliance models and their variances
- Sustainable procurement

6. Reshaping construction management for improved and resource efficiency

- New dimensions of construction site, project and portfolio management
- Performance in the real estate and construction sector
- Frameworks for Performance Measurement in Construction
- Lean construction
- New thinking models and their applications
- The future of performance measurement in construction
- Innovative performance measurement systems in construction
- The development, use and critique of performance measurement approaches
- Challenges in benchmarking construction performance measurement data
- Risk Management

7. Digitalised construction and real estate management practices

- Digital practices in construction
- The evolution of digital design practices
- Application of IT in building production management
- New technologies for improving information flow and their benefits to the construction projects and organisations
- Improving the quality, timeliness, reliability, and Impact of information on project and organisational performance

8. Other research-based or business-based results having linkage to the overall conference theme

VENUE

City of Tampere is the third largest city in Finland and the largest inland centre in the Nordic countries. Currently there are over 217,000 inhabitants in Tampere, and close to half a million inhabitants in Tampere Region, which comprises Tampere and its neighbouring municipalities. Tampere’s city centre is surrounded by lake and ridge scenery, sited on an isthmus between lakes Pyhäjärvi and Näsijärvi. The Tammerkoski rapids run through the city.

Tampere is a significant centre of education and research. There are lots of university students in the city. The University of Tampere has 15,000 students in five faculties, the Tampere University of Technology has 10,500 students and the Tampere University of Applied Sciences has 10 000 students. The teachers and researchers at these universities as well as in the numerous research institutes provide new information and knowhow for science, business and industry.

The School of Information Sciences at the University of Tampere, Tampere University of Technology, the Hermia Technology Centre, the Finn-Medi Medical Technology Centre, Nokia Research Centre, Intel Research and Development Center, the laboratories of the Technical Research Centre of Finland and other R&D units represent the highest level of technological development, and make the city an important node on the information superhighway.
# IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission deadline September 15, 2014  
Notification of abstracts October 31, 2014  
Full paper submission deadline January 7, 2015  
Review results notification February 27, 2015  
Camera ready paper submission deadline March 30, 2015

Conference dates May 28-29, 2015  

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